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TAGS: EGEN, GW  
SUBJECT: FOREIGN OFFICE VIEWS ON ECONOMIC SUMMIT

REF: (A) PARIS 1256 (EXDIS); (B) BONN 405  
(C) LONDON 519

1. DURING MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
LAUTENSCHLAGER IN FOREIGN OFFICE, ECON/COMC'L MIN  
ASKED FOR LAUTENSCHLAGER'S VIEWS ON SITING OF ECONOMIC  
SUMMIT. LAUTENSCHLAGER REPLIED THAT FOREIGN OFFICE  
WAS DIVIDED, WITH POLITICAL SECTION FAVORING LONDON AND  
ECONOMIC SECTION SUPPORTING TOKYO. THE POLITICAL  
SECTION BELIEVED THAT LONDON WAS THE MOST APPROPRIATE  
SITE BECAUSE THE NATO MINISTERIAL COULD BE HELD BACK-  
TO-BACK WITH THE SUMMIT. POLITICAL SECTION ALSO  
BELIEVES THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR PRESIDENT CARTER TO  
MAKE HIS FIRST FOREIGN TRIP TO EUROPE. LAUTENSCHLAGER  
NOTED THAT THIS WOULD PRESENT PROBLEMS DUE TO THE  
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DIFFERENT COMPOSITION OF THE TWO GROUPS OF ATTENDEES  
AND HE SPECULATED THAT THE SUMMIT MEETING WOULD OVER-  
SHADOW THE NATO MINISTERIAL.

2. LAUTENSCHLAGER STRONGLY ADVOCATES THE JAPANESE  
CAPITAL, BECAUSE HE BELIEVES THAT THIS WOULD BE A USEFUL  
GESTURE TO THE JAPANESE, WHO WILL BE EXPECTED TO PLAY

A MAJOR ROLE IN THE RESTIMULATION OF THE WORLD ECONOMY.  
HE ADMITTED THAT THE JAPANESE HAVE NOT BEEN PUSHING  
FOR THE SITE, BUT HE BELIEVES THAT THEY DO WANT IT.

3. THE CHANCEILOR, IN LAUTENSCHLAGER'S VIEW, CANNOT BE  
INSENSITIVE TO GISCARD'S VIEWS, BUT IN THE END WILL GO  
ANYWHERE THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WISHES  
TO GO. THUS, QUESTION OF DIFFERING FOREIGN OFFICE  
RECOMMENDATIONS BECOMES ACADEMIC.

4. LAUTENSCHLAGER CONSIDERED EC REPRESENTATION AS  
A SETTLED QUESTION WITH CALLAGHAN WEARING TWO HATS  
AND JENKINS IN ATTENDANCE. HE THOUGHT DUTCH HAD BEEN  
MOST UNWISE TO RESIST THIS FORMULA EARLIER. HE SAID  
THAT, ON ATTENDANCE, CHANCELLOR WOULD NOT BE SO  
FLEXIBLE AS ON SITE FOR THE MEETING.  
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